GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
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Subsidy on Purchase of Drip Irrigation System
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is contemplating to transfer subsidy meant for purchase of drips system and other agro implements directly to the bank accounts of farmers and provide them a free hand to purchase these implements from open market instead of purchasing from designated companies/retailers;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the subsidy granted to the farming community in the country during each of the last three years under various schemes?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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(a) to (c): The Central Grant is released to State Governments with the advice to make efforts for direct transfer of subsidy amount in the respective bank accounts of the beneficiary farmers. State Governments after following due quality inspection checks have registered sufficient number of manufacturers/suppliers of drip systems and other agro implements to ensure availability of good quality equipments to the farmers at reasonable cost and providing them free hand to choose from these registered manufacturers/suppliers. The details of the Central Grant given to the States for providing subsidy to the farmers on account of above during each of the last three years under various schemes is at Annexure-I.